w/He Pulled the Wool Over the Eyes and Extracted Money from the Pockets of the Spanish Minister and Con-sul-General.

About a year ago a brilliant person, calling himself Col. William Fitz Charles McCarty, was indicted at the Court of General Sessions in this city for larceny. The charge was preferred by Mrs. Lynch of Broadway, the well-know diamond merchant. The alleged larceny for which "Col." McCarty was arrested with the consumation of the constaint of the

willing and abundantly able to pay for such information. McCarty determined to supply it to them.

In order to do this more perfectly, he first of all formed the acquaintance of Don Mignel de Aldama, then the Cuban agent in this country. He presented himself as the inventor and patentee of some kind of marine torpedoes, which he claimed would ensure, to any vessel carying them complete security from the pursuit or attack of any inimical ship. Mr. Aldama, though sorely pressed by McCarty to buy some of these torpedoes for a vessel in which he was supposed by McCarty to be then interested, declined to make any contract with him.

McCarty, however, claims to have made some such contract with a certain ex-Colonel of the Cuban army, but whether this statement is true or false it is unimportant, so far as the Cuban republic is concerned, because the ex-Colonel in question was in no way a representative person. The alleged contract, however, served McCarty's plans. McCarty's signature to this contract is attested by M. M. Friend, notary public in this city. The other signature is not attested.

Once personally acquainted with Mr. Al-

he was persuaded that he had been swindled out of \$50.

The case must have looked pretty desperate to Md arty, but he was more than equal to the occasion. He converted what looked like ruin intatriumphant victory. His task was to convince the Consul of the value, authenticity, and veracity of the information which he was to furnish through Antes. For this purpose McCarty handed to Antes a letter dated in London Oct., 12th, 1877, addressed to Mr. Aldama and signed "R. Walpole Carlin." McCarty's object was to convince the Spaniards of the importance of their retaining his services in procuring and furnishing information. He determined to furnish it on a grand scale, and of such a character that they would be sure to swal.

to Caba sa they were as likely to Carry same to Cuba sat they were to shell Cronstadt or Constantinople. Further than this: so implicitly did the Spanish Minister iff Washington make the Madrid Government believe in the truth of McCarty's yarns, that it is generally believed that the peremptory orders sent to Martinez Campos and Jovellar to bring the Cuban revolution to an end by any means brought about the extraordinary result obtained by Martinez Campos—nobody knows how—in Cuba. McCarty, assisted by the foolish credulty of Mantilla, "Swarts, and others, absolutely made Spain believe that a really invincible English armada was soon to swoop down on the island of Cuba! As Antes very pertinently remarked when one of the Spaniards suggested that he had been cognizant all along of the fictitous character of the letters, "I can hardly see how you should think it strange that I should have been fooled by McCarty when he has so successfully fooled the Governments of the United States, of Spain, and of Great Britain."

Antes to the Spanish Consul, are fully equal to the above in the talent displayed in their concotion. It is almost impossible, after reading them, not to be convinced of their authenticity. And still not one of them was ever received by the person to whom they are apparently addressed, not one was even in his office, and consequently never stolen from it, and it is questionable whether any of them was written by any other than McCarty or his wife.

The delivery of these letters to the Spanish Consul occurred between Nov. 8, 1877, and Feb. 15, 1878. McCarty had the talent to Aurn them out as fast as the demand required. Of course, during all this period McCasty was bleeding the Spanish Minister pretty liberally, but about the end of January Senor Mantilla appears to have been troubled with a slight impecunicaity, for on the 27th of January McCarty addressed the following letter to the Spanish Minister. The letter was handed by Antes to the Spanish Minister. The letter was handed by Antes to the Spanish Minister. The letter was handed by Antes to the Spanish Minister. The letter was handed by Antes to the Spanish Minister. The IEEE Excellency Senor Mantilla, Spanish Ambaes adov, Washington, D. C.

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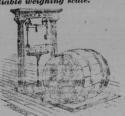
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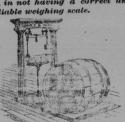
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